## **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



August 18, 1998	REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-48-98	<ul> <li>[ ] State Law Change</li> <li>[ ] Federal Law or Regulation Change</li> <li>[ ] Court Order or Settlement Agreement</li> <li>[ ] Clarification Requested by One or More Counties</li> <li>[X] Initiated by CDSS</li> </ul>

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: ANNUAL FOOD STAMP PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS BY ETHNIC GROUP

REPORT (DFA 358F AND DFA 358S)

This is to remind all counties of the annual requirement to submit the <u>Food Stamp Program Participants by Ethnic Group</u> (DFA 358) report, as called for by Public Law 88.352. This law requires states to provide an ethnic and racial breakdown of the households that participated in the Food Stamp Program.

The DFA 358 report collects data on those households that participated in the Food Stamp Program for the month of July each year. Data collected on this report will contain July 1998 data and is not a duplication of data requested via the <u>Annual Recipient Report on AFDC, Social Services, Nonassistance Food Stamps, GAIN, and RCA Ethnic Origin and Primary Language</u> (ABCD 350).

To accommodate the new federal requirement to report the DFA 358 data categorized by "federal" and "state-only" households, the DFA 358 has been discontinued and replaced by two forms: the DFA 358F and the DFA 358S. Report households composed of federal-only and combined federal/state members on the DFA 358F and report households composed of state-only members on the DFA 358S. Copies of both forms are attached. All County Letter 97-50, dated September 3, 1997, on page 5, under <u>STATISTICAL REPORTING</u>, informed counties of the need to categorize households by federal and state status for reporting purposes.

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The completed DFA 358F and DFA 358S must be received in the Data Operations Branch by September 10, 1998, in order for California to meet Federal reporting dates. Combined data reported on the DFA 358F and 358S should correspond to data reported on the Participation and Issuance Report (DFA 256) for July 1998. Completed reports may be submitted by FAX to (916) 322-9254 or sent to:

California Department of Social Services Data Operations Branch Reports Unit M.S. 19-81 P.O. Box 944243 Sacramento, CA 94244-2430

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Ginger Simpson, at (916) 323-7536 or Calnet 8-473-7536. Questions concerning the Food Stamp Program requirements should be directed to your Food Stamp Program Operations analyst at (916) 654-1896 or Calnet 8-464-1896.

Original Document Signed By Jack Harrison for John H. Wilson on 8/18/98

> JOHN H. WILSON Deputy Director Program Planning and Performance Division

Attachments

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## **FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

Participants by Ethnic Group		COUNTY			
This report is due by September 10, 1998.		MONTH JULY		YEAR <b>1998</b>	
Number of households participating in the Food Stamp Progra	am during the mo	nth of July by ethnic g	roup and assista	ance sta	atus.
FEDERAL-ONLY AND COMBINED HOUSEHOLDS		NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS		DS	
ETHNIC GROUP	CODE	ASSISTANCE	ANCE NONASSISTANCE TOTA		TOTAL
Black (not of Hispanic origin)	(3)				
Hispanic	(2)				
Asian or Pacific Islander	(4)				
American Indian or Alaskan Native	(5)				
White (not of Hispanic origin)	(1)				
Filipino	(7)				
Other					
TOTAL					
Remarks					
SIGNATURE OF PERSON TO CONTACT REGARDING THIS REPORT		TELEPHONE NUMBER			DATE
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### Instructions for Completing Report

Send an original of the completed form to the Data Operations Branch, Reports Unit as soon as possible after the July report month, no later than September 10.

Report the number of households participating for the report month for each ethnic group under the applicable Assistance or Nonassistance column. Report only once those households that participated more than once in the month of July.

the ethnic group classification is determined at the time of application or recertification through a verbal request, or a visual determination if a response is not received. The number of households should be the same as the corresponding number of households on form DFA 256, Participation and Coupon Issuance Report. Any variance between these reports in the number of households reported of plus or minus two percent is to be explained in the Remarks' section.

Sign and date the report.

### **Ethnic Group Definitions**

**Black** - (Not of Hispanic Origin) -- All persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

**Hispanic** - All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

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American Indian or Alaskan Native - All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

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# **Asian-Pacific Islander Category**

Please list the number of Asian-Pacific Islander households by ethnic group as noted below. The total on this page must equal the number listed on page 1, Code 4.

FEDERAL-ONLY AND COMBINED HOUSEHOLDS		NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS		
ETHNIC GROUP	CODE	ASSISTANCE	NONASSISTANCE	TOTAL
Chinese	С			
Cambodian	Н			
Japanese	J			
Korean	К			
Samoan	М			
Asian Indian	N			
Hawaiian	Р			
Guamanian	R			
Laotian	Т			
Vietnamese	V			
Other Asian-Pacific Islander	Х			
	TOTAL			

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## **FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

## **Participants by Ethnic Group** COUNTY MONTH YEAR This report is due by September 10, 1998. JULY 1998 Number of households participating in the Food Stamp Program during the month of July by ethnic group and assistance status. STATE-ONLY HOUSEHOLDS NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS **ETHNIC GROUP** CODE **ASSISTANCE** NONASSISTANCE TOTAL Black (not of Hispanic origin) (3)Hispanic (2)Asian or Pacific Islander (4)American Indian or Alaskan Native (5)White (not of Hispanic origin) (1) Filipino (7) Other **TOTAL** Remarks SIGNATURE OF PERSON TO CONTACT REGARDING THIS REPORT TELEPHONE NUMBER DATE

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Japanese	J			
Korean	К			
Samoan	М			
Asian Indian	N			
Hawaiian	Р			
Guamanian	R			
Laotian	Т			
Vietnamese	V			
Other Asian-Pacific Islander	Х			
	TOTAL			